

*Mayor Linda Law*

**BRAZIL CITY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD**  
**JULY 13, 2010**

- President Ruthann Jeffries called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
- The June minutes were read and approved.
- Treasurer's Report—Linda Messmer  
Non-Reverting Fund

Beginning Balance May 31, 2010.....	\$11,760.08
Revenue.....	\$1.59
Disbursements.....	<u>\$0.00</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2010.....	\$11,761.67

Park Fund

Beginning Balance May 31, 2010.....	(\$40,103.39)
Revenue.....	\$1,134.20
Disbursements.....	<u>(\$21,986.37)</u>
Ending Balance June 30, 2010.....	(\$60,955.56)

There were no encumbrances for the Non-Reverting Fund. The expenditure and encumbrance lists were reviewed. Since some checks and bills are held up until the next tax draw, the accuracy of the financial report is in question since which bills have been paid are unknown.


- Superintendent's Report—Bill Houck
  - The Go-Kart Races venue was good. The only damage was to some of the newly planted small trees at the south end of the track. The straw was taken care of in a timely manner.
  - The badly damaged electrical line in Shelter 8 has been replaced. A new pole was dropped near the shelter. (The old wire was wrapped around a tree!)
  - The pavilion men's restroom has been patched, primed, and painted. Also two of the "new" stalls have been installed. This project is labor intensive because of weight and size. This is at least a 3-man job.
  - For the second time, the wall in the men's side of the Comfort Station has been destroyed. There were no major problems during the 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration. However, some minor fights, dog problems with several persons who were asked to leave the park, and a couple did get tickets. The security was mainly a preventative action which seemed to work. John Day has become the top leader in park security.
  - Trash pick-up during the celebration was smooth. However, the parks need more trash barrels.

- One hundred twenty-two benches are assembled and in place. Ten more are in route, and ten more have been ordered—making a total of 142 benches.
  - A couple of security cameras are installed and working. Work is continuing on this project. Camera coverage of the new benches is a top priority.
  - Avenue Cable with bucket trucks replaced light bulbs in the pavilion.
  - The Kubota tractor finally has two new front tires. These were purchased from Humphrey's at Greencastle. Since Bedwell Tire couldn't supply the tires, they installed the tires free of charge.
  - The carnival area has been graded, sanded and seeded.
  - The grass was removed from the volleyball court and is ready for play as soon as the net is put up.
  - A lady that was operating an ice cream stand called to thank John Day for fixing the electricity going to her freezer.
- Pool Report—Madison Stevenson
    - Pool business is going well with income, pool parties, and swim lessons. The numbers are filed with these minutes. Compliments were handed to the guards teaching swim lessons as well as the good senior swim attendance. The Dolphin cleaner is repaired and in operation.
    - August 16 is the last day for regular swimming. However pool parties are and can be booked for the following weekend.
    - Watchful guards, safe atmosphere, clean bathhouse and pool, courteous staff members are all compliments that have reached the Board. A big thank you goes out to Madison, Bill, and John.
- Under audience comments, Susan Thomas of Rotary thanked the Staff and Board for the support given during their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. She felt Bill, Ed, John, Bobby were invaluable to this year's success. She also asked what was needed, and the Board felt 8-foot tables were most in demand. A time was set up for a walk-through with Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Houck.
- Under new business, Greg Warner of New Concept Clearing, wanted clarification about being on park property (Craig) while cleaning up fallen trees, brush from the Hay and Haggerty properties. The clean up of this private property will definitely enhance the park property and the future walking track. Todd Brackman motioned to allow New Concepts Clearing to use park property to get to the Hay and Haggerty properties. Seconded by Linda Messmer. Carried.
- Pam Fischer and Becky Sinclair asked permission to have a "Dive-In" fundraiser at the pool for JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation). This would be in honor of Skylar Sinclair who is seriously ill with juvenile diabetes. This fundraiser would be fun—swimming, movies, silent auction,

and food—and be a good way to raise money for the JD RF. After much discussion, the Board felt they could not let this event use the pool rent-free even with the donation of services by the staff and guards. The Board felt this was a most worthy cause. The approximate number of people would be 150 plus, and the capacity of the pool could not be extended. Caroline McCullough motioned to allow Pam Fischer to rent the pool some weekend in August for 4 hours for a “Dive-In” as a fundraiser for JD RF—a juvenile diabetes organization. The number of swimmers was not to exceed 500. Seconded by Linda Messmer. Carried.

- Caroline McCullough passed out copies of the proposed resolution for the Vigo Co. Parks. This is a document from which the Board might work to help solve problem violators of park rules which includes the ability of park personnel to enforce these rules. Linda Messmer volunteered to make copies of the city ordinances and the news article that caught the Board’s interest. Board members were urged to read all the material and this will be addressed at a later meeting.
- Mr. Houck and Mr. Holt are working everyday to rid the Leathers Playground of wasps.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Caroline McCullough, Secretary